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[HOUSE FILE No. 397.—SCHOOLS.

## A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE FREE USE OF TEXT-BOOKS IN PUBLIC  
SCHOOLS.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa :*

SECTION 1. The use of all text-books necessary to teach the branches required by law to  
2 be taught in the common schools of this State, shall be free to all pupils of school age, after  
3 the first day of September, 1887.

SEC. 2. All text-books purchased in compliance with section one (1) of this act shall be  
2 paid for from the contingent fund.

SEC. 3. The board of directors of each district township or independent district, shall at  
2 the time of making the next levy for contingent expenses, after the passage of this act, pro-  
3 vide such sum as may be necessary to purchase text-books ; provided, that no debt shall be  
4 contracted for such purpose, until such provision has been made, and it shall be unlawful  
5 for any board to expend in any one year for the purchase of text-books, a sum in excess of  
6 the amount so provided.